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### FIRST GREAT WAR

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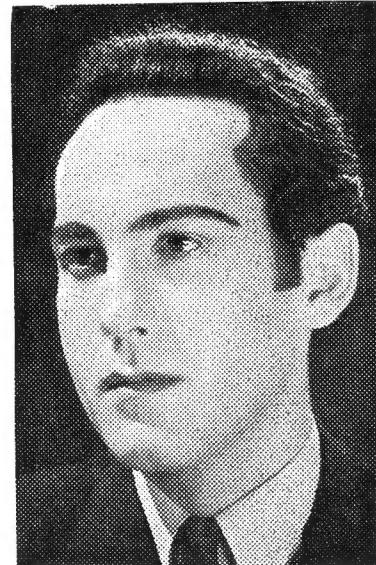
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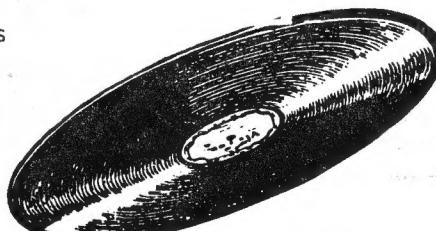
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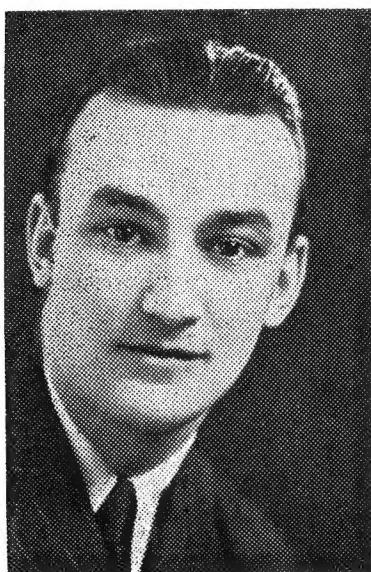
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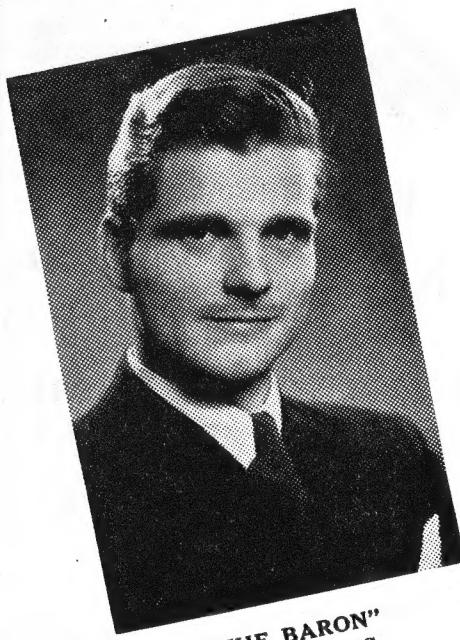
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### ACT II

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### ACT III

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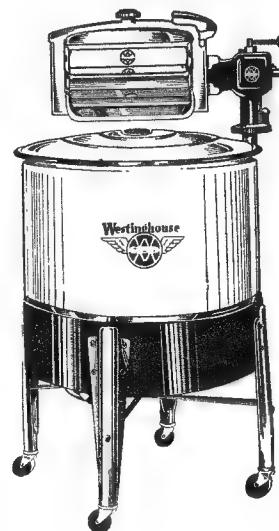


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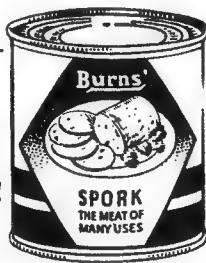
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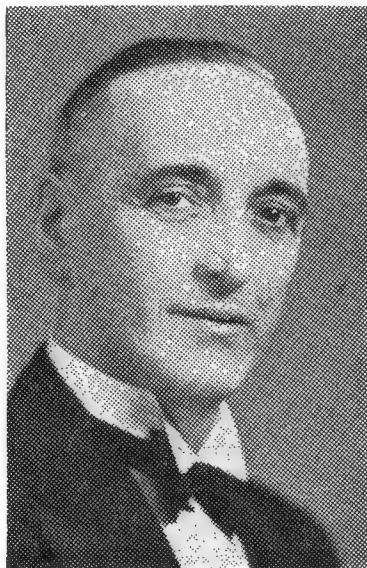
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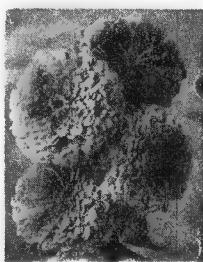
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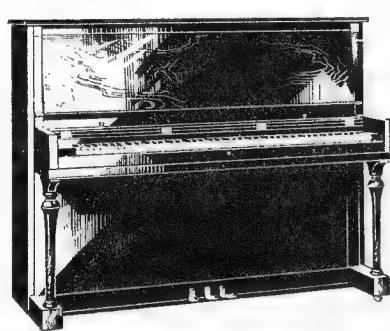
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An indefinable light hovers over Prince Orlofsky's Ballroom and the assembled guests, indicative of the undercurrent of intrigue being carried on in the spacious palace. Champagne is gradually assuming its rightful place as the real hero of "The Bat", affecting the lives and impulses of all, and making them do strange, unaccountable things. The Prince is a boy of eighteen who has lived all of life before it has really begun. Dissipated, bored, he craves a laugh, and Falke has promised him one at Eisenstein's

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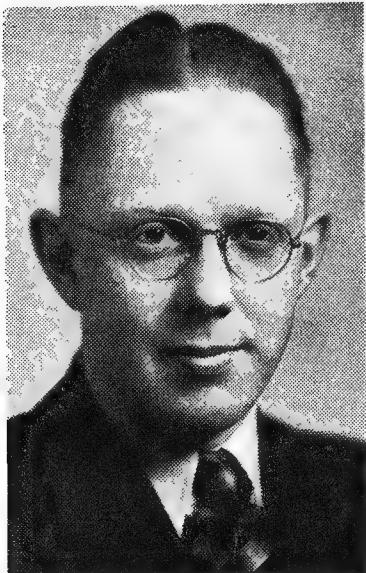
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### ACT II—(Continued)

expense. In a note to Rosalinde, Falke has informed her of her husband's presence at the Ball, and advises her to appear at once disguised as an Hungarian Countess. Rosalinde answers the call and is greatly surprised to find her husband posing as the Marquis Renard, and her maid Adele posing as an artiste, and wearing a gown "borrowed" from her mistress' wardrobe.

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### ACT II—(Continued)

wife proposes to keep for future reference. The Finale of Act II is in reality a sham conclusion which reminds us once again that the mighty hero behind the scenes is Champagne, King Fizz the First.

### ACT III

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a complexity of denouements with his Assistant Frosch. Eisenstein is an early visitor and it is then they discover that the tenor Alfred was arrested in Eisenstein's place. Eisenstein, smarting under the perfidy of his wife Rosalinde, decides to do a little detective work, but Falke, being now sufficiently avenged, enlightens everyone and the truth comes out. As in the ancient dramas, when the fault is attributed to a god, so in "The Bat", all are exonerated from blame, and Champagne is again hailed as the hero of the story.

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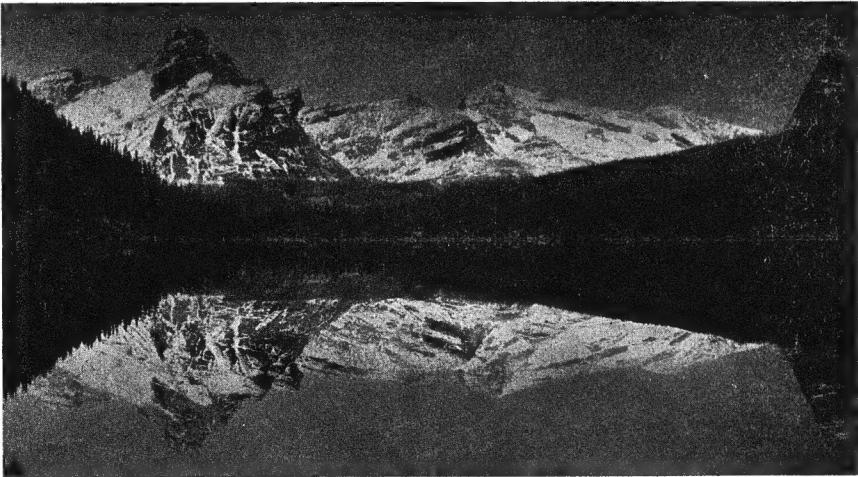
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